

Sam Hughes Neighborhood Association, Inc. (SHNA, Inc.)
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
February 18, 2014
Himmel Park Library

Minutes

1. **Attending:** John O'Dowd, Rick Bell, Carolyn Classen, Mary Pflibsen, Bill Craig, John Wilder, Gail Schuessler

2. **Absent:** Lu Ann Barr, Jim Head, Janett Carbajal

3. **Call to Order / Roll Call / Introduction of Guests -**
Meeting called to order: 7:05pm

Guests in attendance:

J. Cotton (UA Police Dept.)

Susan Peters (Neighborhood Watch)

Gladys Richardson (Sam Hughes Family Networks: Parents of Infants and Toddlers)

Denice Blake (HPBP)

4. **Adoption of Feb 18 2014 Agenda**

Adoption of Feb 18, 2014 Agenda accepted unanimously.

5. **Adoption of Jan 25 2014 Minutes**

-Carolyn Classen accepts correction of minutes.

-John O'Dowd makes motion that minutes reflected topics accurately.

-Mary Pflibsen seconds the motion.

-Motion accepted unanimously.

6. **Treasurers Report -**

Topic will be tabled for next month; the treasurer Jim Head is not present today.

There are questions about 2014 budget, including status of fundraising efforts.

7. **Call to Audience**

Amended agenda: Call to Audience.

-Amendment accepted unanimously.

Gladys Richardson: Sam Hughes Family Networks

Topic: Parents of Infants and Toddlers (SHFN)

-Efforts aimed at serving parents of infants and toddlers up to age three.

-So far, there has been decent feedback and positive response from the families involved.

-More information available on the Listserv and on the Sam Hughes Neighborhood website.

8. Discussion and Action Items

Election of Officers

Officers for the calendar year 2014 were elected by the board. The board was unanimously in favor of all elected officers nominated.

President: Rick Bell
Nominated by: Bill Craig
Seconded by: John O'Dowd

Treasurer: Jim Head
Nominated by: Bill Craig
Seconded by: John O'Dowd

Vice President: John O'Dowd
Nominated by: Bill Craig
Seconded by: John Wilder

Secretary: Carolyn Classen
Nominated by: Bill Craig
Seconded by: John O'Dowd

Neighborhood Watch

Susan Peters:

-Wants to raise advocacy for Neighborhood Watch (and online information available on the website).

-Requests board advocate for greater communication and to promote Neighborhood Watch.

-Requests the possibility of the board releasing a statement about successful neighborhood watch events, like block parties, etc.

Rick Bell:

-Suggests finding someone the head of Sam Hughes Neighborhood Watch to strengthen the organization.

Mary Pflibsen:

-Requests more information be available on website.

Susan Peters

-Agrees to update information on website.

Broadway Corridor

Mary Pflibsen:

-Information about the Broadway Corridor will be posted on the Listserv.
-More information will be available at next month's SHNA meeting.
-Broadway sidewalks will need to be brought up to code in order to repair the road. The sidewalks will be widened and parking will be more limited.

-There is talk of a streetcar or light rail on Broadway, but it is not likely to occur in the near future. For now, the CTF is focusing on improving current modes of travel, including improved bus transit time. The final design may incorporate improvements in readiness for other forms of transit in the future.

Apron Sales

Rick Bell:

-Aprons could be made available for sale on website.

Susan Peters:

- We have 40 to 50 aprons available at \$20 a piece.
- The aprons belong to the board, the board paid for them.
- The Home Tour Sells them every two years.

John O'Dowd:

-We can try to sell the aprons at the Garden Tour also.

-John Wilder will take and store the box of aprons. He is willing to deliver them on request.

THMS Orchestra Donation

Rick Bell:

-Proposes a donation to thank the THMS Orchestra for a performance they did recently.

John O'Dowd: Makes motion to donate \$200 dollars.

Bill Craig seconds the motion.

Board unanimously in favor.

Newsletter

Gail Schuessler:

- We have a jam-packed newsletter. We had to be concise with so much news to print.
- No date yet on when the newsletter will be published, but it should be out in the next week or so.

April 6 Garden Tour

Rick Bell:

- Information about the tour is available on the website.
- The tour is already planned out.
- We are still finishing the brochure.
- T-shirts are available to give to those on the tour.
- Volunteers will be donating their time to help with ticket sales for the tour
- The first Garden Tour netted a profit of \$1,000.

Schools

Bill Craig:

-The tax credit donations to Hughes Elementary in 2013 have decreased from prior years.

John O'Dowd

-THMS Soccer Team won a state championship and the Tea Club would like to give a \$200 ring to each team member.

-The Tea Club has also been a supporter for a young woman from THMS who is an Olympic diver.

Neighborhood Infill

Gail Schuessler:

-There is a new organization called Tucson Resident for Responsive Government (TRRG). TRRG " is an all-volunteer group whose mission is to effect lasting change in the way the City of Tucson's government interacts with its citizens to ensure that transparency, accountability, integrity, honesty and preservation of quality of life govern all city processes." This quote is from a draft of bylaws for TRRG.

Neighborhood Streets

-This topic has been tabled.

Water Tower (Fund Raising)

-The tower will be restored in phases.
-Someday the tower will be put up.

Neighborhood Leadership Institute

-This topic has been tabled.

Little Free Library Project

-This topic has been tabled.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned: 9:02pm

Respectfully submitte,
Alexandra Bernhardt, Recorder